

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Family and friends will long cherish their memories  
2 of Michael Cook Walton of Stephenville, who passed away on March 11,  
3 2011, at the age of 71; and

4           WHEREAS, Michael Walton was born to Ernest Vernon Walton and  
5 Estelle Cook Walton on December 22, 1939, in Dallas; he graduated  
6 with the Class of 1958 from A&M Consolidated High School in College  
7 Station and went on to attend Texas A&M University; and

8           WHEREAS, Mr. Walton began his notable career with the Texas  
9 Department of Agriculture in 1962 and retired some three decades  
10 later as a district director; while serving with the TDA, he earned  
11 the great admiration and affection of his colleagues for his  
12 fairness and loyalty as a supervisor and for his caring mentorship;  
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14           WHEREAS, Sustained throughout his life by his deep faith, Mr.  
15 Walton was a valued congregant of Greens Creek Baptist Church in  
16 Stephenville; and

17           WHEREAS, This esteemed Texan was the proud and loving father  
18 of three children, Virginia, Michelle, and Michael, and he took  
19 infinite joy in his nine grandchildren and his great-grandson; and

20           WHEREAS, Michael Walton enjoyed a life that was rich in the  
21 intangibles that matter most, and he is deeply missed by all those  
22 who held him dear; now, therefore, be it

23           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
24 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Michael Cook Walton

1 and extend sincere condolences to the members of his family: to his  
2 children and their spouses, Virginia Ann and John Roberts, R.  
3 Michelle and Andrew Kinser, and Michael Vernon and Trina Walton; to  
4 his grandchildren, Jeremy, Margo, and Tabitha Hymer, Jason Roberts,  
5 Kali and Gabrielle Kinser, Adam and Abby Walton, and Robert  
6 Chapman; to his great-grandson, Milam Thomas Hymer; to his brother,  
7 Jim Walton; to his lifetime friends, Ann Vargas, Gary Miller, and  
8 Rick Wahrmund; to his very special friend, Heidi Craddock; and to  
9 his other loved ones; and, be it further

10         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
11 prepared for his family and that when the Texas House of  
12 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Michael  
13 Cook Walton.

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H.R. No. 2152

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 2152 was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the House on May 26, 2011.

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Chief Clerk of the House